Raccoon Creek Partnership Board of Directors Meeting Minutes May 28th, 2008 at the Waterloo Aquatic Education Center

In Attendance:

Amy Mackey, Jeff Calhoun, Scott Schell, Heike Perko, Mike Schooley and Rocky McNickle.

Treasurer Report: There was no official Treasurer report, Wendy sent out an e-mail stepping down from the position of treasurer and possibly from the board in general. She sent out an e-mail with the totals in our accounts: Money Max Savings Acct: \$3,742.14. Checking Acct: \$1,100.54. Total deposits for May \$62.46. Total: \$4,842.68

Questions arose about the amount of signatures needed on checks, no one had the bylaws handy to review, but all felt two signatures should be required above a certain amount.

The board voted Jeff Calhoun on the board as Treasurer, Mike Schooley as back up. Jeff will get in touch with Wendy and arrange the hand over of all materials regarding RCP banking.

June meeting: Scott Schell arranged the reservations for the meeting room at Vinton SWCD office, Jeff is doing the press release, and the speaker has been arranged as well.

Snacks: Heike – Coffee maker and coffee stuff, mustard, ketchup and relish

Amy – slow cooker, hot dogs and buns

Rocky – chips and dip

Scott – Cookies

Mike – Drinks

Jen and Ben – plates, napkins, cups and whatever you may be able to bring, maybe some veggies?

Jeff – something healthy

Newsletter: RCWTA – ask Molly to write a short recap of float, add some photos

Heike – waterloo article (dates for events can be taken off the website as)

Amy has photos from first visiting school group

Mike wants to see a map added with ongoing projects marked and

comments on stages of progress on projects.

Scott already wrote eel article

Advertise Poker run on September 27th, rain date the following sat. and

Annual meeting

The board felt that the newsletter should be ready by June meeting for dispersal if possible.

Fundraising: Good News: \$10,000 grant has been approved for ODNR Division of Wildlife for aquatic education equipment at Waterloo, payment has not been received to date but should be soon. \$2,080 dollars from an Athens foundation grant was awarded for

building paint, propane, and drinking water. Check should be received the following week. Mike made \$59 dollars at the Reuse yard sale and will continue hitting yard sales; OEEF: Heike mentioned she needs help or we would not reapply, Scott said he would check with Ben and Jen if they could house the grant at ILGARD or if we should house it at RCP, step two is to get corrections made and resubmit. Mike said he would help Heike.

Mike asked about the donation he wants to make towards Amy's position and when and where it should be deposited; he wants to make sure the money will not be spent on anything else.

Poker Run: September 27th with the rain date the following Saturday October 4th, Rocky and Mike will drive the route before next meeting, we will have to decide how elaborate we want to make it. Heike will get with Lisa from the friends of the hocking hills and get more details. Mike and Heike found some websites to advertise poker run for free.

Summer Intern: Jeff Calhoun is the intern for this summer and will be working through the Voinovich School at Ohio University with Ben (& Amy) doing water quality monitoring in Raccoon Creek and other watershed duties.

Insurance for Waterloo: Now that the lease is done (although not received from Division of Wildlife to date) we need to call the insurance agency and reinstate insurance. The boards voted on moving forward on this and get the money sent to cover the insurance.

New Business: Glenn and Mike want to hold a trash clean up in August and Mike asked for support from the board, meaning will we show up and pick up, board said yes, especially if it is early in the morning because of the heat, Mike will get the date to Ben for Newsletter. This would be a great collaboration project with RCWTA;

Heike attended May RCWTA meeting, talked to the group about the need to have minutes on the website and to have copies of all receipts. Glenn (RCWTA treasurer) has to keep on file as well, since RCP is held accountable. Talked to them about upcoming events and work days.

Heike had the display at Old Man's Cave mothers day weekend, sold 3 hats for RCP and recruited some possible members.

Waterloo: Eagle Scout wants to make the painting his project from beginning to end, needs to have it done in August, will come and measure.

Work days, every Saturday in June, scraping, washing walls inside, sweep and mop floors etc. Materials will be in the hallway and the key is where it always is.

June 14th Passport to fishing workshop: Amy, Rocky and Son so far, we need 6 to make it a go.

Next Meeting June 25th 6 p.m. SWCD office Vinton County, bring snacks!!!